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1. SOUTH AFRICA --

THE AFRICAN GROUP DECIDED APRIL 4 TO ACCEPT IDEA OF DECLARATION ON SOUTH AFRICA BUT TO REJECT ALL WESTERN AMENDMENTS OFFERED THEM MORNING OF APRIL 1, AND RETURNED TO TEXT THEY HAD PRESENTED TO WESTERN FIVE MARCH 31, AMB RAMPHUL (MAURITIUS) INFORMED WESTERN FIVE. FIVE AMBASSADORS THEN DECIDED TO ASK AFRICAN GROUP REPRESENTATIVES (SC MEMBERS BENIN, LIBYA, MAURITIUS) TO MEET WITH WEST APRIL 6 TO GIVE REASONING BEHIND THEIR REJECTION OF WESTERN PROPOSALS, AND TO INFORM SELECTED AMBASSADORS AT NEW DELHI NACC FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING OF THE SITUATION. EARLIER, WESTERN FIVE HAD AGREED THAT BEST HOPE FOR DECLARATION LAY IN SLOW NEGOTIATING PROCESS WITHOUT WEST APPEARING TO PUT PRESSURE ON AFRICAN GROUP. DURING SURPRISE INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS CALLED BY SC PRESIDENT CONSALVI (VENEZUELA), BEFORE REJECTION OF WESTERN AMENDMENTS, BENIN, CONFIDENTIAL

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PANAMA, USSR, UK, US, PAKISTAN AND FRANCE ALL SPOKE IN FAVOR OF SUSPENDING SC MEETING ON SOUTHERN AFRICA TO ALLOW MORE TIME FOR CONSULTATIONS. SC CONSULTATIONS CONCLUDED WITH PRESIDENT STATING THERE WOULD BE NO MORE COUNCIL MEETINGS THIS WEEK ON SOUTHERN AFRICA UNLESS NEGOTIATIONS FINISHED EARLIER THAN EXPECTED.

LATE APRIL 1, NIGERIAN MISOFF RELAYED CONCERN OF NIGERIAN PERM REP HARRIMAN, WHO WAS IN LONDON ON HIS WAY TO THE NEW DELHI NACC MEETING, ABOUT THE DETERIORATION OF THE NEGOTIATIONS ON THE SC DRAFT DECLARATION. IN HARRIMAN'S VIEW, NEW YORK REPRESENTATIVES OF LIBERATION MOVEMENTS HAVE POOR COMMUNICATIONS WITH THEIR HEADQUARTERS AND THUS ARE AFRAID TO ACCEPT DRAFT THEIR HEADQUARTERS MIGHT FIND UNACCEPTABLE. THEY WERE ALSO UNDER STRONG SOVIET PRESSURE TO REJECT TEXT OR INSIST ON UNACCEPTABLE CHANGES. HARRIMAN REQUESTED THAT THE LATEST TEXT BE PASSED TO LIBERATION MOVEMENT HEADQUARTERS IN LUSAKA. HE THOUGHT FURTHER DISCUSSIONS OF THE DRAFT AND, IF NECESSARY, SC DEBATE, SHOULD BE SUSPENDED PENDING CONCLUSION OF

NACC, WHERE HE HOPED NACC FOREIGN MINISTERS WOULD DISCUSS
THE DECLARATION AND INSTRUCT THEIR NEW YORK DELEGATIONS.
(CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 1003, 1018, 1019)

2. DEMARCHE TO SOUTH AFRICA ON NAMIBIA --

WESTERN FIVE AMBASSADORS AGREED ON SUGGESTED INSTRUCTIONS FOR
PRESS GUIDANCE TO BE SENT THEIR CAPITALS AND EMBASSIES
IN SOUTH AFRICA CONCERNING DEMARCHE TO SOUTH AFRICA ON
NAMIBIA. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 1016)

3. VISITING MISSION TO US VIRGIN ISLANDS --

AMB YOUNG EXTENDED TO COMMITTEE OF 24 CHAIRMAN SALIM
(TANZANIA) AN INVITATION FOR THE COMMITTEE'S VISITING MISSION
TO THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO VISIT THE US VIRGIN ISLANDS ALSO.
SALIM, WHO WAS ABOUT TO LEAVE FOR NEW DELHI, EXPRESSED
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PLEASURE. AT SALIM'S REQUEST, ACTING CHAIRMAN ABDULAH
(TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO) WAS INFORMED OF THE INVITATION,
AND ABDULAH SAID HE WOULD BEGIN CONSULTATIONS IMMEDIATELY.
AS COURTESY, MISOFF INFORMED FIJIANS, TUNISIANS, AUSTRALIANS
AND NORWEGIANS, AND THEIR REACTION WAS GENERALLY VERY FAVORABLE.
FIJIANS TOLD US THEIR AMB, VUNIBOBO, WHO WILL BE CHAIRMAN
OF THE VISITING MISSION, HAS NO OBJECTION TO ACCEPTING THE
INVITATION. OTHER MEMBERS OF THE MISSION WILL BE SEALY
(TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO) AND BACHROUCH (TUNISIA), ACCOMPANIED
BY THREE SECRETARIAT OFFICIALS. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 1006)

4. RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT --

FRG IS PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO RECOMMENDATION ECOSOC WOULD
MAKE TO THE SYG ON THE BASIS OF OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 4 OF
THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION ENTITLED
"QUESTION OF THE REALIZATION OF THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND
CULTURAL RIGHTS AND IN THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON
ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS, A STUDY OF SPECIAL
PROBLEMS RELATING TO HUMAN RIGHTS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES."
THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION WITHOUT A VOTE,
BUT USDEL HAD ALSO QUESTIONED OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 4,
WHICH RECOMMENDS THAT ECOSOC INVITE THE SYG IN COOPERATION
WITH UNESCO AND OTHER COMPETENT SPECIALIZED AGENCIES TO
UNDERTAKE A STUDY ON THE INTERNATIONAL
DIMENSIONS OF THE RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT. (LIMITED OFFICIAL
USE -- USUN 1014)

5. MAJOR ISSUES AT 62ND ECOSOC SESSION --

PRINCIPAL ISSUES TO COME BEFORE THE 62ND SESSION OF ECOSOC,

OPENING APRIL 12, ARE IN THE REALM OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND
SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT, OF WHICH THE MOST IMPORTANT CONCERN IS
THE DECADE FOR ACTION TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DIS-
CRIMINATION. USDEL WILL ALSO WANT TO FOLLOW UP ON ITS INI-
TIATIVE FOR A WORKING GROUP ON THE PLACE OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT
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IN THE UN SYSTEM AND TO FOCUS ON QUESTIONS ARISING FROM THE
DECADE FOR WOMEN. ON THE ECONOMIC AND ORGANIZATIONAL SIDE,
THE ONLY MAJOR ISSUE IS LIKELY TO BE THE RELATIONSHIP
BETWEEN THE UN AND THE INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL
DEVELOPMENT. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 1004)

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6. SOVIET VIEWS ON UPCOMING BELGRADE MEETINGS--

AT SOVIET PERM REP TROYANOVSKY'S REQUEST. SOVIET AMB
FOKINE COMMUNICATED ORALLY TO AMB SHERER EIGHT POINTS WHICH
THE SOVIETS WOULD LIKE TO HAVE US CONSIDER IN CONNECTION
WITH THE UPCOMING BELGRADE MEETINGS. THESE INCLUDED POINTS
THAT THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT IS ONE DOCUMENT TO BE
CONSIDERED AS A WHOLE, BELGRADE MEETINGS SHOULD BE DEDICATED
TO COOPERATION RATHER THAN CONFRONTATION, AND THE SOVIETS
INTEND TO COOPERATE CLOSELY AT BELGRADE WITH ALL PARTIES,
PARTICULARLY THE YUGOSLAVS. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE--USUN 1007)

7. DEMONSTRATION AT ROMANIAN MISSION--

TWENTY MEMBERS OF "TRUTH ABOUT ROMANIA COMMITTEE"
CONDUCTED UNANNOUNCED DEMONSTRATION FOR TWO HOURS IN FRONT
OF ROMANIAN UN MISSION APRIL 2 TO PROTEST RECENT ALLEGED
BEATING OF WRITER PAUL GOMA BY ROMANIAN POLICE IN BUCHAREST.
(LIMITED OFFICIAL USE--USUN 1011)

8. OUTER SPACE LEGAL SUBCOMMITTEE--

SPEAKING OFF THE RECORD AT THE SUBCOMMITTEE'S APRIL 1
MEETING, SOVIET DEL (MAIORSKI) SAID THE SUBCOMMITTEE SHOULD
PREPARE A DRAFT RESOLUTION FOR THE GA'S CONSIDERATION AND,
UNLESS OTHERS OBJECTED, A DRAFT WOULD BE PRESENTED WEEK OF
APRIL 4. NO ONE COMMENTED, UNDOUBTEDLY BECAUSE SOVIET DEL'S
REMARKS DID NOT REVEAL SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION. (USDEL LATER
LEARNED IT WOULD COMMEMORATE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUTER SPACE
TREATY.) MEETING PROCEEDED DIRECTLY INTO MINI-WORKING GROUP,
AND ALL-DAY CONSIDERATION OF CANADA/SWEDEN DRAFT PREAMBLE
OF DIRECT BROADCASTING SATELLITE PRINCIPLES ENDED WITH HEAVILY
BRACKETED TENTATIVE PREAMBLE. DISCUSSION WAS NOTABLE
FOR SOVIET DEL'S RESISTANCE TO ANY PREAMBULAR REFERENCES LIMITING
APPLICABILITY OF DBS PRINCIPLES EXCLUSIVELY TO SATELLITE
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9. SECURITY COUNCIL SCHEDULES DEBATE ON BENIN'S
COMPLAINT--

AT SC CONSULTATIONS IT WAS DECIDED TO SCHEDULE COUNCIL DEBATE
ON BENIN'S COMPLAINT FOR TWO OR THREE MEETINGS BEGINNING
AFTERNOON APRIL 6. (USUN--1017)

10. CANDIDACY FOR COMMISSION ON TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS--

AUSTRALIA OFFICIALLY INFORMED US OF ITS CANDIDACY FOR ELECTION
TO THE COMMISSION ON TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS. THIS MAKES
FOUR CANDIDATES (FRANCE, FRG, SWITZERLAND) FOR THREE WEO SEATS.
(USUN--1012)

11. AD HOC COMMITTEE ON WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE--

THE COMITE APRIL 4, AT ITS FIRST MEETING IN 1977, AGREED
TO CHAIRMAN HOVEYDA'S (IRAN) PROPOSAL TO ADJOURN THE SESSION
AND POSTPONE SUBSTANTIVE WORK UNTIL SEPTEMBER. STATEMENTS ON
THE ORGANIZATION OF THE COMITE'S WORK, AS WELL AS ON SUBSTANCE,
WERE MADE BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SOVIET UNION, POLAND,
HUNGARY AND MONGOLIA, ALL OF WHOM STRONGLY SUPPORTED THE
CONVENING OF A WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE AND LINKED IT WITH
THE SPECIAL GA SESSION ON DISARMAMENT. OVINNIKOV (SOVIET UNION)
SUGGESTED THAT THE COMITE RECOMMEND TO THE GA: (1) THE INCLUSION
OF THE QUESTION OF A WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE IN THE AGENDA
OF THE 1978 SPECIAL GA ON DISARMAMENT, AND (2) THAT THE COMITE
PREPARE FOR THE SPECIAL GA A REPORT ON THE AGENDA ITEM ON THE
WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE. JAROSZEK (POLAND) EXPRESSED
CONFIDENCE THAT DISCUSSIONS ON ALL ASPECTS OF DISARMAMENT,
INCLUDING THE SALT AND VIENNA TALKS, WOULD SUCCEED, PROVIDED
THEY WERE BASED ON THE ONLY REALISTIC PREMISE, NAMELY,
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THAT OF THE UNDIMINISHED SECURITY OF ALL THE PARTIES CONCERNED.
SIMBANANIYE (BURUNDI) WAS ELECTED AS VICE CHAIRMAN, AND
LOPEZ-CHICHERI (SPAIN) AS RAPPORTEUR.

12. EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO LEBANON--

LEBANESE PERM REP GHORRA SENT AMB YOUNG A LETTER

EXPRESSING THE LEBANESE GOVERNMENT'S APPRECIATION FOR
US ASSISTANCE. (USUN --1009)

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